

July 18, 64

DURANT

A fire broke out in the Circus Maximus, spread rapidly, burned for 9 days, and razed  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the city. Nero was at Antium when the conflagration started, he hurried to Rome and arrived in time to see the Palatine Palace consumed. The Domus Transitoria, which he had built to connect his palace to the gardens of MARCELLUS, was one of the first structures to fall. The FORUM and the CAPITOL escaped, and the region West of the TIBER.

throughout the remainder of its city, country  
home, temple, precious manuscripts, and  
works of art were destroyed. Thousands of people  
lost their lives amid falling tenements in  
the crowded streets hundreds of thousands  
wandered shelterless through the night, cowed  
with horror. Nero cast about for some  
scapegoat and found one in a race of men  
detested for their evil practices, and commonly  
called CHRISTIANI. The name was derived from  
CHRISTUS, who in the reign of Tiberius, suffered  
under PONTIUS PILATE, PROCURATOR OF JUDEA.

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Syria

64 AD

First persecution of the Christians under Nero. He cast blame for the fire on Christians. They were killed by the thousands in the streets; many were sewn in sacks, besmeared with pitch and burned alive at the nightly garden party of Nero. St Peter & Paul died in 67 AD

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First general persecution of  
Christians was under  
Nero (64)

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Saint Peter

The true surname of an apostle of Jesus. Peter's real name was SIMON. His father's name was JONAS. His brother's name was Andrew. Peter was of an impulsive temperament, generous, but too forward in speech and rash in action. After the Ascension, he was for a time, the most prominent of the Apostles. Tradition makes him

did a martyr at Rome, crucified  
with his head downward. Roman  
Catholics claim him as the first  
bishop of Rome, and consider that  
the authority delegated him by  
Jesus appertains also to his  
successors, the popes of Rome.

64 AD

Caracalla mounts demonstration  
of force in Armenia. Following  
a peace settlement Tiridates  
receives his crown from Nero.



64 AD

According to some early nonbiblical  
lates, St. Peter was crucified upside  
down on what is now Vatican  
Hill in Rome when Nero began  
persecuting Christians

5 AD ~~64~~ 64 AD(?)

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St. Paul  
Saul of Tarsus

64-66

Flores was prosecutor.

During the procuratorships from  
60 to 66, but especially later, Jewish -  
Roman relationships deteriorated,  
and open revolt was inevitable.

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Rome was rebuilt on a large scale after the fire.

64 AD.

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Rome under Nero was  
partly destroyed by fire

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Peter, disciple of Jesus and,  
according to tradition, first  
bishop of Rome dies

64 A.D.

Burning of Rome by Nero.

64 AD

Execution of St. Paul